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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 18 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Iraq

Briefing by Ambassador Richard Butler, Executive Chairman of the Special Commission established by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 9 (b) (i) of Security Council resolution 687 (1991)

Other matters

3 p.m.	3842nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (S/1997/966)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.	76th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Assistance in mine clearance [41]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/679);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.69).

2. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 [51].

3. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security [52].

4. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait [53].

5. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [54].

6. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development [56].

7. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte [55].

8. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/440/Add.1) [16 (b)].

9. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti [44]:

   (a) Draft resolution (A/52/L.65);

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/737).

10. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [45]:

    (a) Letter from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly (A/52/731);

    (b) Draft resolutions (A/52/L.19/Rev.1, L.31);

    (c) Reports of the Fifth Committee (A/52/725, A/52/736).

11. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/674/Rev.1) [17 (e)].

12. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/453/Add.1) [142 (a)].

13. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-second session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/52/719) [3 (b)].

3 p.m. 77th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/52/626) [95]:

   (a) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries: report of the Second Committee (Part II) (A/52/626/Add.1);

   (b) Trade and development: report of the Second Committee (Part III) (A/52/626/Add.2);

   (c) Science and technology for development: report of the Second Committee (Part IV) (A/52/626/Add.3);

   (d) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (Part V) (A/52/626/Add.4).

2. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: report of the Second Committee (Part I) (A/52/628) [97]:

   (a) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership: report of the Second Committee (Part II) (A/52/628/Add.1);

   (b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s: report of the Second Committee (Part III) (A/52/628/Add.2);

   (c) Population and development: report of the Second Committee (Part IV) (A/52/628/Add.3);

   (d) International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development: report of the Second Committee ((Part V) (A/52/628/Add.4);

   (e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II): report of the Second Committee (Part VI) (A/52/628/Add.5);

   (f) First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty: report of the Second Committee (Part VII) (A/52/628/Add.6);

   (g) Women in development: report of the Second Committee (Part VIII) (A/52/628/Add.7);

   (h) Human resources development: report of the Second Committee (Part IX) (A/52/628/Add.8);

   (i) Cultural development: report of the Second Committee (Part X) (A/52/628/Add.9).

3. Environment and sustainable development: reports of the Second Committee (Parts I and IX) (A/52/629 and Add.8) [98]:

   (a) Implementation of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development: report of the Second Committee (Part II) (A/52/629/Add.1);

   (b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (Part III) (A/52/629/Add.2);

   (c) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (Part IV) (A/52/629/Add.3);

   (d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (Part V) (A/52/629/Add.4);

   (e) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (Part VI) (A/52/629/Add.5);

   (f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (Part VII) (A/52/629/Add.6);

   (g) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21: report of the Second Committee (Part VIII) (A/52/629/Add.7).

4. Operational activities for development: report of the Second Committee (A/52/630) [99].

5. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Second Committee (A/52/631) [100].

6. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/52/632) [101].

7. Sectoral policy questions [96];

   (a) Report of the Second Committee (A/52/627);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.70).

8. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/52/625) [12].

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

5 p.m.- 6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

   Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report (A/C.5/52/32)

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

   Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized(A/C.5/52/24 and A/52/7/Add.6)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.68 B: The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.72*: United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/C.5/52/36*)

   Report of the Secretary-General on the contingency fund: consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/52/35)

   Report of the Secretary-General on revised estimates: Effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation (A/C.5/52/34)

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* To be issued.

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/52/6/Rev.1 (Vol.I and II) and Add.1, A/52/16 and Add.1, A/52/7 and Chapter II (Parts I-XII and Add.1-2), A/51/950 and Corr.1 (Arabic only) and Add.1-6, A/52/303 and Add.1, A/C.5/51/53, A/C.5/51/57, A/C.5/52/15, A/C.5/52/20 and A/C.5/52/27))

3 p.m.- 5 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

8 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.- 12.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
12.30 p.m.- 3.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/52/6/Rev.1 (Vol.I and II) and Add.1, A/52/16 and Add.1, A/52/7 and Chapter II (Parts I-XII and Add.1-2), A/51/950 and Corr.1 (Arabic only) and Add.1-6, A/52/303 and Add.1, A/C.5/51/53, A/C.5/51/57, A/C.5/52/15, A/C.5/52/20 and A/C.5/52/27))

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Organizational matters

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1997

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	46th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1997/109, E/1997/91, E/1997/92 and Add.1)

2. Coordination, programme and other questions [6]

   (i) Proclamation of international years (E/1997/L.32/Rev.2)

3. Reports, conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies [7]

   (d) Human rights questions (E/1997/L.23 and Add.2, E/1997/L.44, E/1997/L.62)

4. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227 [12] (E/1997/L.63)

5. Closure of the substantive session of 1997

COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

WORKING GROUP III

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Review of the criteria and methodology for determining the list of the least developed countries and examination of a possible vulnerability index

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 18 December 1997

GROUP OF 77
(on Economic and Social Council matters)

10.15 a.m.-11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Informal meeting

Closed consultations among troop contributors on the United Nations Mission of Observers in Prevlaka (UNMOP) will be held *today*, 18 December 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 4 December 1997, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m. or upon completion of the Council's deliberations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES GROUP

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 19 December 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	45th meeting	Conference Room 3

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Commission for Sustainable Development will hold the first meeting of its sixth session, for the purpose of electing its Bureau, on Monday, 22 December 1997, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

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The Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1997 session at United Nations Headquarters from 12 to 16 January 1998, in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1997/1.

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1997/297, the Committee will also meet at United Nations Headquarters from 19 to 23 January 1998, to consider enlargement of the Committee and issues related to the Committee's methods of work.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 1998 and in particular on document DP/1998/3 on the review of policy implications of change on core and non-core funding. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

The first regular session 1998 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 19 to 23 January 1998 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The session will resume on Monday, 26 January 1998, at 3 p.m. for a joint meeting with the Executive Board of UNICEF.

The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/1998/L.1.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (906-5634) as soon as possible, but no later than 12 January 1998.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on UNDP funding strategy on Thursday, 8 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All interested delegations are invited.

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United Nations Children's Fund

Intersessional meeting

An intersessional meeting on budget matters will take place on Wednesday, 7 January 1998, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pre-session information briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on matters before the Executive Board at its first regular session for 1998 (26-28 and 30 January 1998) will take place on Friday, 16 January 1998, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

First Regular Session

The first regular session for 1998 of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 26 to 28 and 30 January 1998 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/1998/2.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Secretary of the Executive Board (326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than 21 January 1998. In accordance with rule 50(2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate with their credentials their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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World Bank Seminar

An informal presentation on the theme "The Enabling Environment for Private Sector Development in a Globalized World" by Mr. Jean-François Rischard, Vice-President and Head of the World Bank Network for Finance, Private Sector Development and Infrastructure, will take place on Friday, 19 December 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 17 December 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

75th plenary meeting

Assistance in mine clearance [41]:

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/679);*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/52/L.69)*

The President made a statement.

The representative of Luxembourg made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.69, and also made a statement on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Japan, Norway, the United States, Egypt, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nicaragua (also on behalf of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Panama), Bolivia, Mozambique, Argentina, Afghanistan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, New Zealand, Thailand, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Colombia, the Russian Federation and Pakistan.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 43rd meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.65: The situation of Democracy and Human Rights in Haiti (A/C.5/52/30)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally presented the related report of that Committee.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that should it adopt draft resolution A/52/L.65, an additional appropriation of $7,677,200 would be required under section 3 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999; an additional appropriation of $596,100 would also be required under section 32, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment. These requirements will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.31 The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of Peace, Freedom, Democracy and Development (A/C.5/52/31)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally presented the related report of that Committee.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that should it adopt draft resolution A/52/L.31, an additional appropriation of $173,800 would be required under section 3 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999; an additional appropriation of $32,300 would also be required under section 32, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment. These requirements will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.68 B: The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33)

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

The Director of the Budget Division made a statement.

Pending the response to questions raised, the Committee postponed its decision on this question.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [142]

(a) *Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Third party liability: temporal and financial limitations (A/C.5/52/L.7)*

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Mexico, Coordinator of informal consultations on this question, informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to defer the consideration of this question to its second resumed session.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this item.

Human resources management [153]

a) *Draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.14*

Mrs. Nazareth A. Incera (Costa Rica), Vice-Chairman of the Committee and Coordinator of informal consultations on this agenda item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.14.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Japan, the United States, Cuba, Portugal, India, Sweden and Côte d'Ivoire.

The representative of Mexico also made a statement.

b) *Implementation of General Assembly resolution 51/226*

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Portugal, the United Republic of Tanzania, Cuba and the Republic of Korea.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 18 December 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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